

**REPORT/RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
OF SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA
AND RECORD OF ACTION**

August 31, 1999

FROM: EDOUARD P. LAYAYE, Agricultural Commissioner/Sealer
Department of Agriculture/Weights and Measures

**SUBJECT: PETROLEUM INSPECTION AGREEMENT WITH THE STATE DEPT. OF FOOD
AND AGRICULTURE - STATE CONTRACT NO. 99-0303**

RECOMMENDATION: Approve Agreement with the State Department of Food and Agriculture, Division of Measurement Standards, for Agriculture/Weights & Measures to inspect, on behalf of the State, establishments selling or distributing petroleum products from July 1, 1999 through June 30, 2004, in the amount of \$144,000.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: Since 1988, the Division of Measurement Standards has reimbursed the County for petroleum product inspections performed by the County on behalf of the State. Petroleum products such as motor oil, fuel, brake fluid and antifreeze are inspected to ensure compliance with quality labeling and quantity standards. The State determined that these inspections should be performed by counties because of the widespread distribution of these products at gas stations, auto parts stores and other retail establishments. In compensation for these services, the State reimburses counties at the rate of \$75 per inspection. This amount is unchanged from the prior year and covers the Department's costs of performing the inspections.

The proposed FY 1999/00 contract was prepared by the State after the initiation date, due to State delays in initiating and processing it. It will provide funding based upon a maximum amount not to exceed \$28,800 for 384 inspections per fiscal year.

REVIEW BY OTHERS: This Agreement was reviewed and approved as to legal form by Deputy County Counsel, Susan L. Nash, on August 12, 1999, and reviewed by County Counsel on behalf of Risk Management.

FINANCIAL IMPACT: Appropriations to perform this activity and revenue from this agreement were included in the Department's FY 1999/00 Budget.

SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT(S): All

PRESENTER: EDOUARD P. LAYAYE, Agricultural Commissioner/Sealer, Ext. 2115.

Record of Action of the Board of Supervisors